

STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES 21 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0021

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COMMISSIONER

Date: May 14, 2020

To: Town of Brunswick Municipal Officials, Riparian (shorefront) landowners within 1,000 ft.

of proposed aquaculture lease site, Case-specific and General mailing lists

From: Department of Marine Resources (DMR) Aquaculture Division

Re: Notice of Completed Application and Comment Period

The DMR has received an experimental lease application for the following:

Applicant	Ferda Farms LLC	
Culture Type	□Bottom culture (No gear)	⊠Suspended culture (Bottom and/or surface gear)
Species	⊠Shellfish □Marine a	algae 🗆 Finfish 🗆 Other
Location, Waterbody, Town	East of Lower Coombs Island, New Meadows River, Brunswick	
Lease Size and Term	Size: 3.86 Acres	Lease Term: 3 Years
Comment Period Deadline and Submission	No later than 4:00 p.m. on June 18, 2020	DMR Attn: Aquaculture Division 21 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0021 DMRaquaculture@maine.gov

COMMENT PERIOD: The Department of Marine Resources announces a **30-day public comment period** during which interested persons may submit written comments or request a public hearing on the application. A hearing is optional for experimental lease applications unless the Department receives five or more written requests from interested persons during the comment period. Please submit written comments by mail or email to the address provided above by the deadline.

VIEW THE APPLICATION: To view a copy of the completed application, please visit: https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/leases/pending/index.html

CONTACT THE APPLICANT: Please contact the applicant with any questions regarding their proposal. Contact information for the applicant can be found in their application.

DMR REVIEW: DMR staff will visit and assess the site in consideration of the legal requirements for aquaculture leases. Other state and federal agencies will also review the application. If you have additional questions or concerns, or to request a paper copy of the application, please contact: DMRaquaculture@maine.gov.

Relevant Authority: The legal authority for this notice is 12 MRSA §6072-A (5) and DMR Rules Chapter 2.64 (4) (C).